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Mark L. Wolf, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, sadly announces the death of his esteemed colleague Judge Reginald C. Lindsay. Chief Judge Wolf said that: "Judge Lindsay proved again that a great judge must be a great man. His journey from being an African-American youth in segregated Alabama to becoming a federal judge in Boston has been compelling evidence of the enduring integrity of our nation's promise of equal opportunity for all. Reg Lindsay's distinguished work as a judge made a unique contribution to our nation's commitment to guaranteeing Equal Justice Under Law. Judge Lindsay's influence as an inspiring role model and mentor for disadvantaged youth assures that he will have a vibrant, living legacy."

Judge Lindsay was born in 1945, in Birmingham, Alabama. He graduated from Morehouse College in 1967, and from the Harvard Law School in 1970. Judge Lindsay was a partner in the law firm of Hill & Barlow, where he developed a special friendship with Deval Patrick, then a younger lawyer at the firm and now the Governor of Massachusetts. Judge Lindsay also served as a Commissioner of Public Utilities in Massachusetts from 1975-1977. In 1993, President Bill Clinton appointed Reginald Lindsay to the United States District Court as the successor to David S. Nelson, who was the first African-American judge in this district.

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